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In re Application of:)
: Examiner: Jessica Y. Han
FUMITAKA TOYOMURA, et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 2838
Application No.: 10/760,353)
: Filed: January 21, 2004)
: For: POWER CONVERTING)
: APPARATUS AND POWER)
: GENERATING APPARATUS) October 11, 2006

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This Application has received a Notice Of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311. While the Notice Of Allowance predates the Information Disclosure Statement dated October 4, 2006, consideration of the art cited in the Information Disclosure Statement is proper under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d), and such action is courteously solicited.

In this regard, it is hereby certified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) that all information in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement (and not more than three months

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prior to the filing of this Letter). In addition, the \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is submitted herewith.

A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed. Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicants with the next communication.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,


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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of documents (2) and (3) are enclosed.

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 4,656,571
- (2) EP 718952
- (3) JP 09-054623

Document (1) to (3) were cited during prosecution of a European patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the European Office Action, which is dated August 29, 2006, is enclosed. In view of this date, it is hereby certified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) that each document in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement.

An English language abstract accompanies document (3). The concise explanation of relevance for non-English language document (3) is believed to be satisfied by the enclosed English language abstract. See MPEP § 609.

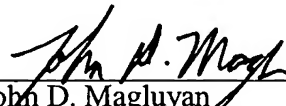
The European Search Report also cites document EP 942519 which was previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement dated January 20, 2004, and which is therefore not being cited again.

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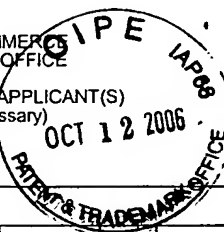


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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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		4,656,571	04/1987	Umezu	363	37	

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		718952	06/1996	Europe			
		09-054623	02/1997	Japan			Abstract

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